MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): Then may I know the amount for which the Municipality has sanctioned the right of collection of tolls in these markets in the year 1109?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Rs. 2,660 for the cattle market and Rs. 5,405 for the other market.

MR. T. P. VELAYUDHAN PILLAI (*Tiruvalla III*): May I know whether the licensee does not pay a sum of Rs. 80 per annum for both the markets together?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): No Rs. 80 is for each market.

Promotion of copyists as clerks.

82. ***MR. S. J. NAIR** (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the system of promoting the copyists in the Magistrates' Courts as clerks was in vogue till 1108 M. E.;

(*b*) whether the system still continues:

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the negative, why it was discontinued:

(*d*) whether they are aware that there are copyists who are qualified to be clerks, and who have already acted as clerks before, who are not given promotion as clerks

(*e*) whether they are aware that, overlooking the claims of the clerks, fresh hands are being entertained as acting clerks in the Taluk Offices and Magistrates' Courts; and

(*f*) whether the qualified copyists are included in the list of acting clerks in the Taluk Offices and in the Magistrates' Courts?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) In view of the answer to part (*b*), this does not arise.

(*d*) There are copyists who are qualified to be clerks and who have acted as clerks. Their claims for promotion as clerks are also considered when appointments are made.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) No.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): How many of the copyists were appointed as clerks, permanent or acting, in the year 1110?

PRESIDENT: You do not seem to be free yet from the atmosphere of the copyists, Mr. Nair.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Part (*e*) of my question is—

> (*e*) "whether they are aware that, overlooking the claims of the clerks, fresh hands are being entertained as acting clerks in the taluk offices and Magistrates' Courts"

and the answer is 'No'. I am now putting the supplementary question:—

> "How many clerks were entertained on the whole, in the Taluk offices and Magistrates' Courts, in 1110."

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RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Sir, I claim notice. This information has not been collected. It should really form a separate question.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Was any copyist appointed as acting or permanent clerk, in any of the Taluk Offices or Magistrates' Courts, in 1110?

PRESIDENT: Part (*e*) of the question only says—

> (e) 'whether they are aware that, overlooking the claims of the clerks, fresh hands are being entertained as acting clerks in the Taluk Offices and Magistrates' Courts".

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): And, I now want to know how many clerks were appointed in the Taluk Offices and in the Magistrates' Courts in 1110————

PRESIDENT: Overlooking the claims——

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): I shall put that part of the question separately.

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*) I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Are the Government aware of the appointment of any copyist as clerk in the Taluk Offices or in the Magistrates' Courts, in the year 1110?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I claim notice.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): In the circumstances, how does the honourable member explain the answer 'No'?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): I do not see any inconsistency in the answer, Sir.

PRESIDENT. The question was whether the Government were aware and the answer says 'No'. I do not think the answer is capable of varied interpretations.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): May I know whether there is any waiting list of clerks and copyists who have acted as clerks in the Taluk Offices and Magistrates' Courts?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Waiting lists are generally maintained only of acting hands who have no substantive appointments. The copyists of the Judicial Department have substantive appointments. Since the copyists of the Revenue Department have no substantive appointments, the waiting lists of acting clerks of the Taluk Offices and the Magistrates' Courts will contain only the names of such of the copyists as have acted as clerks.

MR. S. J. NAIR (*Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to look into the matter?

RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): Yes.

Working of the P. W. D. Workshops.

83. ***MR. S. NILAKANTA PILLAI** (*Chirayinkil II*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table the profit and loss account in regard to the working of the P. W. D, Workshops for the year 1109?

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